VIRGINIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, BLIND AND MULTI-DISABLED AT HAMPTON Vacancy Announcement

RESIDENTIAL EDUCATOR

Position Number: Various Open Date: 07/18/06 Hiring Range: \$18,567.00 - \$22,237.00 Closing Date: Until Filled

The Virginia School for the Deaf, Blind, and Multi-Disabled at Hampton is seeking Residential Educators who are dedicated to supervising and providing personal care for students with deafness, blindness and sensory impaired multiple disabilities. Some students also have medical and special behavioral needs. This position functions as a part of a team that has responsibility for the physical and personal well-being of students and to provide social, leisure and life skills training.

Work Schedule: Possible shifts/3:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., 11:30p.m. – 8:00 a.m., 5:00a.m. – 8:30a.m., 6:00p.m. – 10:00p.m., Monday through Friday, (some flexibility required/some Sundays required).

Responsibilities include:

- Help students learn instructional and personal care goals
- Assist individual students with personal care
- Supervise student(s) in the dormitory and during special activities including community activities
- Maintain detailed records, reports and required documentation of student activities and incidents
- Work as a team member to provide students with a variety of activities
- Demonstrate initiative, sound judgment and self-direction while implementing student plans and programs
- Implement behavior management plans
- Supervise students on bus for traveling to and from their homes
- Maintain confidentiality regarding students

Minimum Qualifications:

- High School diploma or G.E.D., required
- One of the three options to meet the designation of "highly qualified" is required;
 - a) Completed two years of study at an institution of higher education; or
 - b) Obtained an associate's (or higher) degree, or
 - c) Met a rigorous standard of quality and be able to demonstrate, through a formal state or local academic assessment, knowledge of and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics (or, as appropriate, reading readiness, writing, readiness, and mathematics readiness).
- Previous experience working with children or adults with hearing-impairment, visual impairment, mental retardation or severe disabilities preferred
- Current American Red Cross CPR and First Aid Certification required or must be obtained within 90 days of employment
- A valid Virginia Driver's license, required
- A Commercial Driver's license, preferred
- Suitable candidates must be proficient or willing to learn American Sign Language to communicate with students, parents and other agency staff

Physical Requirements

- Heavy lifting, 50-75 lbs without assistance; 75-100 lbs with assistance
- Standing, sitting, reaching, lifting, walking, bending, climbing and repetitive motion
- Individuals on 3rd shift must remain awake throughout the shift in order to monitor students during sleeping hours.

NOTE: A criminal history check will be required for final candidates.

For consideration, submit State application form #10-012 to: The Virginia School for the Deaf, Blind and Multi-Disabled at Hampton, Office of Human Resources, 700 Shell Road, Hampton, VA 23661. For assistance call VOICE/TDD (757) 247-2050 or FAX (757) 247-2028 or visit our website at www.vsdbmh.virginia.gov. Applications are available online at http://jobs.state.va.us/eo-appli.htm. EEO/AA/M/F/D